(B) Marketing Support Activities

Name of SCA and State : TRIFED-Delhi

2002-2003	300.00	290430
2003-2004	800.00	565900
2005-06	100.00	2000
TOTAL	1200.00	858330

Name of SCA and State : Girijan Cooperative Corporation (GCC), Andhra Pradesh

2002-2003	500.00	110000
2003-2004	500.00	110000
2004-2005	500.00	283000
2005-06	750.00	113400
TOTAL	**2250.00**	**616400**
GRAND TOTAL (b)	**3450.00**	**1474730**

Presence of ANMs in ICDS

3941. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether for the success of ICDS, the presence of ANMs is necessary;

(b) the number of posts of ANMs lying vacant in the tribal districts of Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh; and

(c) the steps Government have taken to fill up these vacant posts and the time-frame fixed for filling up of these vacant posts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Use of Children as Crowd

3942. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have banned the use of children as crowd at various public functions;

(b) if so, the details of Government's views on using children for parades, meetings, welcoming VIP guests at institutions in municipalities, etc.;

(c) whether it is a fact that school children are facing brutal treatment due to becoming forced crowds for such events;

(d) the specific directions given to all State Government not to use school children in this manner for any parade; and

(e) the steps proposed to monitor such rules?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (e) The Government has issued advisories to the State Governments to issue necessary guidelines to ensure convenience, safety and security of school children on such occasions.

Misuse of medical and genetic technology

3943. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:
SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the misuse of medical and genetic technology for elimination of female foetus is going up;

(b) whether Government are also aware that mobile vans are used for sex determination and medical termination of female foetus and unregistered clinics stealthily carry out sex determination tests;

(c) if so, the number of cases detected during the last one year, State-wise, on the misuse of medical and genetic technology; and

(d) what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) As per information furnished by Ministry of Heath and Family Welfare, the child sex ratio for the age group of 0-6 years declined by 18 points from 945 girls per thousand boys in 1991 Census to 937 in 2001 Census.